



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Public Benefits Program – Demand-side Management Project: Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership (\$125,000)

MEETING DATE: May 19, 1999

PREPARED BY: Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve a Public Benefits Program grant in the amount of \$125,000 to fund the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership, a demand-side management/energy efficiency project for G-1 electric rate customers.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Several months ago, the City of Lodi initiated the Public Benefits Program. The program is comprised of four main customer groups: municipal, residential, community/non-profit, and commercial/industrial.

To date, all four customer groups have received some level of Public Benefit Program funding, including the customer group commercial/industrial. However, a majority of those funds have been provided to medium and large commercial and industrial electric customers around Lodi (electric rate categories G-2 through I-1).


This particular effort, the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership, is designed to assist the small business and small business owner/manager in our community. The proposed program budget is \$125,000, and all G-1 electric rate customers in Lodi would be eligible to participate in the program, and receive up to \$500 in a Public Benefits Program grant. The Public Benefits Program grant may be expended on specific demand-side management or energy conservation measures once reviewed and approved by City of Lodi Electric Utility personnel (please see attached fact sheet entitled 'Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership' for additional program specifics).

The City of Lodi Electric Utility respectfully recommends approval of the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership as a qualifying project of the City of Lodi Public Benefits Program.

FUNDING: 164604 - Public Benefits Program Grant (Category – Demand-side Management)

FUNDING AVAILABLE:

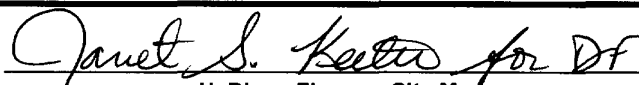

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H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

City of Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership

Purpose: To provide eligible G-1 electric rate customers with a direct cash incentive for the reimbursement of materials and/or service related to specific energy conservation measures. These grant dollars would be funded from the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program fund.

Grant amounts: up to \$500 (one per customer address)

Total Funds in Program: \$125,000

Program Duration: July 1, 1999 to December 31, 2000

Customer Eligibility:

- Customer must be current on all City of Lodi utility charges;
- Prior to beginning project, customer must complete "Partnership Response Card" and return to the City of Lodi Electric Utility for review;
- Customer must submit copies of all project receipts for reimbursement;
- Customers are encouraged to utilize local vendors to complete installation of energy conservation measures;
- Rebates are provided on a first-come, first-serve basis, or until funds are exhausted;
- Customer must consent to potential pre- and post-installation inspections.

Energy Conservation Measures and Applications:

- HVAC/refrigeration: time clocks, programmable thermostats, high efficiency air filters, door gaskets, pipe insulation, variable speed fan and motor controls, and a one-time diagnostic & preventative maintenance service per HVAC unit (not to exceed \$60.00 per unit for the diagnostic & preventative maintenance service)- *excluding* necessary system repairs;
- Lighting retrofits: time clocks, electronic ballast's, T-8 lamps, compact fluorescent lamps, lower wattage HID fixtures, reflectors, motion sensors and photo sensors/cells;
- Shade screens or awning covers;
- Ceiling fans/attic ventilators;
- Insulation/weather-stripping;
- Special projects: Upon review, customer may be eligible for funding above \$500 for special energy efficiency projects (i.e.: system replacements or system upgrades).

RESOLUTION NO. 99-78

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING
THE CITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE A PUBLIC BENEFITS
PROGRAM GRANT TO FUND THE LODI SMALL BUSINESS
ENERGY SERVICES PARTNERSHIP

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WHEREAS, the State has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on a historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1M per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, this request for a Public Benefits grant in the amount of \$125,000 is specifically designed to assist the small business and small business owner/manager in our community; and

WHEREAS, all G-1 electric rate customers in Lodi would be eligible to participate in the program and receive up to \$500 in a Public Benefits Program Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Public Benefits Program Grant may be expended on specific demand-side management or energy conservation measures once reviewed and approved by the City of Lodi Electric Utility Department.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to provide a Public Benefits Program grant in the amount of \$125,000 to fund the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership, specifically designed to assist the small business and small business owner/manager in our community.

Dated: May 19, 1999

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 99-78 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held May 19, 1999 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Mann, Nakanishi, Pennino and Land
(Mayor)

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


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for City Clerk